

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Ki Il Kim)	Group Art Unit: 2618
)	
Serial No.	10/773,606)	Examiner: TRAN, TUAN
)	
Filed:	February 6, 2004)	
)	
For:	MOBILE COMMUNICATION)	
	AND STETHOSCOPE)	
	SYSTEM)	
)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Dear Sir/Madam:

On September 19, 2007, Applicant filed an "Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form" to request an interview on September 28, 2007 with Examiner Tuan Tran in connection with the above-captioned application ("the '606 application").

No interview was conducted on September 27, 2007, as originally requested, and the interview was postponed to October 4, 2007. An interview was conducted on October 4, 2007 and continued to October 9, 2007. Applicant is submitting this Interview Summary in compliance with 37 CFR 1.133(3)(b) which requires the applicant to file "a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action."

The purpose of Applicant's requested interview was to address and resolve any issues in order to expedite allowance of the claims in view of the Second Supplemental Amendment, dated September 19, 2007. The Second Supplemental Amendment was

made further to the previous interview with Examiner Tran on September 14, 2007, during which Examiner Tran suggested removing certain of the claim recitations for “or” in the claims, such as, for example, Claim 79. Examiner Tran further indicated that, should the claims be re-drafted to include only subject matter supported in the parent case, U.S. Pat. No. 6,278,884 (“1997 parent case”), to which this application claims priority, then those claims may be in condition for allowance.

During the October 4, 2007 interview, Applicant distinguished Naim on the basis that Naim did not disclose a sensor as described recited in certain of the claims. Examiner Tran indicated that he might consider using Naim as a 103 rejection because Naim teaches that it could be combined with other devices. Examiner Tran suggested deferring the interview to the following week, on October 9, 2007, to permit further review of Applicant’s Second Supplemental Amendment.

During the October 9, 2007 interview, Examiner Tran stated that he believed all of the independent claims, with the exception of claims 157 and 159, properly claimed priority to the 1997 parent case. Specifically, Examiner Tran identified independent claims 79, 100, 120, 138, and 159 as being able to claim priority to the 1997 parent case. Therefore, Examiner Tran indicated that the Naim and Kondo references would not be applied to these claims as a basis for a rejection. Examiner Tran indicated, however, that these claims are not allowable because of new prior art which the Examiner had uncovered.

Examiner Tran indicated that claims 157 and 159 would not be entitled to claim priority to the 1997 parent case and that therefore Naim and Kondo could be applied against these claims. With regard to claim 157, counsel for Applicant pointed out that

this claim is directed to specific features of the memory card and socket which are not disclosed in Naim or Kondo. With regard to claim 159, counsel for Applicant pointed out that neither references teach the "sensor" claim element as described in that claim.

Examiner Tran indicated that he would consider these arguments.

With regard to whether there exists any allowable subject matter, Examiner Tran indicated that he would call counsel for Applicant later in the week to advise if any claim amendments may be made to make any of the pending claims allowable. On October 12, 2007, Examiner Tran called counsel for Applicant and indicated that there was no allowable subject matter and that he would be mailing a final office action in the next week or two, citing new references rejecting the claims.

Respectfully submitted,



Date: October 19, 2007

Michelle C. Kim
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 51,881

CUSTOMER NUMBER
58688
U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz LLP
355 South Grand Avenue
Suite 3150
Los Angeles, CA 90071-1560
(213) 787-2500